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CELLS INTO MYOCARDIAL CELLS  
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**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115**

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the instant patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper;

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5  
of this paper; and

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.